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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT : National Capital Planning Commission Draft
of Revised Policies and Procedures

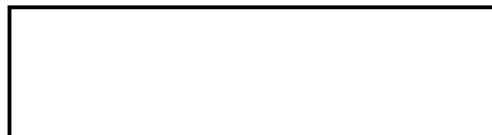
REFERENCE : Memo dtd 29 June 71 to Heads of Executive
Departments and Establishments fm
Chmn, NCPC, Regarding above subject

1. The referent document is essentially a refinement and restatement of existing National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) policies and procedures relating to the implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. This Agency is familiar with these policies and procedures, and they will be incorporated in planning for future new construction.

2. The NCPC in its draft revisions stated that all environmental statements will be considered public information. The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 makes a similar statement and, consequently, environmental statements to the Council on Environmental Quality will be treated similarly. This factor should be considered in future Agency construction.

3. While we have no comments relative to the draft revisions, it is understood from Mr. Donald F. Bozarth, Director of Current Planning & Programming of NCPC, that a negative reply is requested. Accordingly, a suggested reply is attached.

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RE: NCPC File No. 0735

Mr. Ben Riefel, Chairman
National Capital Planning Commission
Washington, D. C. 20576

Dear Mr. Riefel:

This Agency has no comment on the proposed policies and procedures relating to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. In support of this program, you may be assured that our people are familiar with these policies and procedures and will incorporate them into planning for any new construction.

Sincerely,


L. K. White
Executive Director

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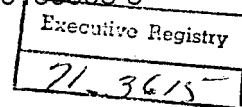
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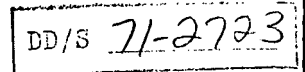
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NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION



In reply refer to:
NCPC File No. 0735

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20576

MEMORANDUM

June 29, 1971

TO : HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ESTABLISHMENTS

FROM : Chairman

SUBJECT: Draft of Revised Commission Policies and Procedures for Implementing the Goals and Policies of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Executive Orders 11507 and 11514 for the Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality in the National Capital Region

Enclosed for your review and comment is a copy of the Commission's "Policies and Procedures for Implementing the Goals and Policies of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Executive Orders 11507 and 11514 for the Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality in the National Capital Region," adopted by the Commission on August 6, 1970, and a draft copy of proposed modifications to the Commission's policies and procedures.

The proposed modifications are based upon:

(1) The revised "Guidelines on Environmental Impact Statements prepared under Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act," issued by the Council on Environmental Quality, and printed in the Federal Register, on April 23, 1971;

(2) The need to clarify certain aspects of the Commission's procedures in light of its experience to date in reviewing the environmental implications of 34 District of Columbia, 43 Federal, and 6 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority development proposals in the National Capital Region since the adoption of its environmental policies and procedures on August 6, 1970; and

(3) A request by the Council on Environmental Quality for the inclusion in these procedures of a provision regarding the use of a "summary sheet" and the submission of a cost-benefit analysis with the environmental statement if a cost-benefit analysis has been prepared.

In view of the request by the Council on Environmental Quality for agencies to update their procedures for handling environmental statements, it would be appreciated if the affected District of Columbia and Federal agencies

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could transmit their comments, if any, to the Commission by July 23, 1971. This will permit the Commission to consider the revised policies and procedures at its August 5, 1971 meeting.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Donald F. Bozarth, Director of Current Planning & Programming, on 382-1471.



Ben Reifel
Chairman

Enclosures (2)

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20576

RESOLUTION MODIFYING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING
THE GOALS AND POLICIES OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
ACT OF 1969, EXECUTIVE ORDERS 11507 and 11514 FOR THE
PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

August 5, 1971

WHEREAS, The Commission adopted, on August 6, 1970, policies and procedures for implementing the goals and policies of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Executive Orders 11507 and 11504 for the protection and enhancement of environmental quality in the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to modify these policies and procedures based upon: (1) its experiences between August 6, 1970 and June 3, 1971 in the review of the environmental aspects and implications of 34 District of Columbia, 43 Federal and 6 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority development proposals in the National Capital Region, and (2) the revised Guidelines on Environmental Impact Statements prepared under Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act issued by the Council on Environmental Quality on April 23, 1971.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the resolution adopted on August 6, 1970 is amended as follows:

1. Page 7

- a. Subparagraph 1(c) - Insert the words "and the Environmental

Protection Agency" after the words "Council on Environmental Quality" in Line 7.

b. Subparagraph 1(e) - Delete the existing subparagraph since the recommended modification to the CEQ Guidelines listing the Commission for consultation by Federal agencies for actions specifically affecting the environment of the National Capital Region has been incorporated in the Guidelines.

c. Subparagraph 1(e) - Insert a new subparagraph 1(e), as follows:
"The Commission will also request that, as part of this special effort, each District of Columbia and Federal agency submitting proposed developments in the National Capital Region for the review of the Commission under the provisions of Section 5 of the National Capital Planning Act of 1952, as amended, submit either an environmental statement in accordance with Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act or, in lieu thereof, if Section 102(2) does not apply, a written description of the environmental aspects and implications of each proposal and the safeguards planned for the protection and enhancement of environmental quality in the National Capital Region.

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a. Subparagraph 2(f) - Insert a new subparagraph 2(f), as follows:
(f) Consult with, and secure advice and comment from, the Environmental Protection Agency on proposed legislation, regulations, new construction projects, and major actions significantly affecting air and water quality, solid waste disposal, pesticides, radiation standards, and noise in the National Capital Region, in accordance with Section 8 of the Revised CEQ Guidelines, dated April 23, 1971, and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, as amended.

b. Subparagraph 2(f), 2(g) and 2(h) - Renumber as subparagraphs 2(g), 2(h) and 2(i).

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a. Subparagraph (e) - Insert at the end of this subparagraph the following:

"Where a cost-benefit analysis of the proposed action has been prepared, this analysis should be attached to the environmental impact statement."

b. Subparagraph (c) - Insert a new subparagraph (c), as follows:
"Request that are District and Federal agencies submitting an environmental statement also submit a "Summary Sheet" to accompany each such statement, as shown in Appendix 1."

c. Subparagraphs (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j) and (k) - Renumber as (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k) and (l).

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a. Subparagraph (g) - Insert the words "either enhance or at least will" in line 4 after the words "National Capital, and will" and before the words "not adversely affect the quality of the environment in the National Capital Region".

3. Page 14

a. Subparagraph 3(k) - Insert the following prior to the last paragraph: "Where it is possible to fully evaluate the full environmental impact of proposed preliminary plans, the Commission will consider making its environmental finding at that stage. In cases where preliminary plans are not complete enough to make this possible, the Commission will make its final environmental review and finding at the time of its review of final plans."

b. Subparagraph 3(k) - Modify the last paragraph to strike the period ^{and old} "and had made an environmental finding that the project would not have an adverse environmental impact on the quality of the human environment in the National Capital Region."

c. Subparagraph 3(1) - Insert the following at the end of this subparagraph: "In any event, all environmental statements or descriptions submitted to the Commission as part of the submission of proposed developments under Section 5 of the National Capital Planning Act will be considered as public information, and made available for review upon request and, where appropriate, referred to the affected local, subregional and metropolitan planning agency or agencies."

APPENDIX I

SUMMARY SHEET*

(TO ACCOMPANY EACH SECTION 102 ENVIRONMENTAL
STATEMENT SUBMITTED TO THE NATIONAL
CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION)

1. Environmental Statement (Check one)

☐ Draft

☐ Final

2. Name of Responsible Agency (with name of operating division)

3. Name of Action (Check one)

☐ Administrative Action

☐ Construction Project

☐ Legislative Action

☐ Other

☐ Master Plan or Modification

4. Brief Description of Action Indicating Part, or Parts, of
National Capital Region Particularly Affected

5. Summary of Environmental Impact and Adverse Environmental Effects,
if Any

6. List of Alternatives Considered

*Please adjust spacing on form as needed and keep as brief as possible

7. List of all Federal, State, and Local Agencies From Which Comments Have Been Requested (for Draft Statements Only)

8. List of all Federal, State, and Local Agencies and Other Sources From Which Written Comments Have Been Received (for Final Statements)

9. Dates Draft Statement and Final Statement Made Available for Council on Environmental Quality and Public

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